



AMENDMENT

1. (Currently Amended) A protection circuit for use with a 1394-compliant network of devices, the circuit comprising:
 - a power source;
 - a switch connecting the protection circuit to a second power source, said power source supplied by another device;
 - a transceiver having at least one outbound data line, the at least one data line connected to an electrostatic discharge line; and
 - a diode connected between the at least one outbound data line and the electrostatic discharge line.